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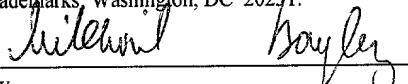
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FOR: METHODS FOR PRODUCING ENANTIOMERICALLY PURE α -SUBSTITUTED CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

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| Specification | 78 |
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This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e)(1) to U.S. Provisional applications, Serial No. 60/173,609, filed December 29, 1999 and Serial No. 60/254,414, filed December 7, 2000, both of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

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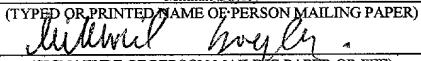
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